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Statement by Rep. Mary Czaja on Vote for Worker Freedom

Madison... Today, after a marathon 24-hour session, the Wisconsin State Assembly has voted to pass Senate Bill 44, commonly referred to as the Right-to-Work legislation. After passage, Rep. Mary Czaja (R-Irma) issued the following statement:

"I cast my vote in favor of the Right-to-Work legislation for two reasons. First, this is an issue of worker freedom. Right-to-Work protects the right for Wisconsin workers to freely associate and preserves their ability to pay membership dues voluntarily rather than by force. I firmly believe it is the right of the worker to make that choice, and I will always stand up for personal freedoms.

"My second reason for supporting the bill is to help Wisconsin remain competitive with both our neighboring Midwestern states and the global economy. Just this week we heard testimony in the Joint Finance Committee that 70% of employers consider the Right-to-Work status of a state when deciding where to invest and grow jobs. The state of Wisconsin and our northern economy cannot afford to be left out of that equation. I have appreciated the many calls and contacts from constituents over the last couple weeks, and I am committed to working together in growing our state's business climate."

Senate Bill 44 now moves to the Governor's desk for his approval; he is expected to sign the bill next week Monday.

Video Link: [Rep. Czaja Floor Speech on Right to Work](#)

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